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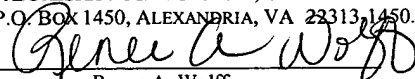
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Renee A. Wolff**SECOND AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

Dear Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action, mailed June 22, 2006, regarding the above-mentioned patent Application. This response is believed timely filed along with a one month request for extension of time filed concurrently herewith.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: